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In re Application of

Monk et al.

Application No. 09/994,399

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Verification Apparatus and Method

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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed June 20, 2005 to revive the above-identified application.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a response to a non-final Office Action which was mailed on September 16, 2004. The non-final Office Action set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. No extensions of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on December 17, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 19, 2005.

The requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b) have been met. This petition is hereby **Granted**.

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity. As continuity has been established by this decision reviving the above-identified application, the above-identified application is again abandoned in favor of the Continuing Application No. 11/156,885.

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